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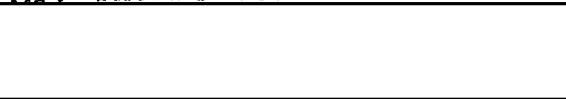
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Mr. Thomas Powers



Dear Tom:

Thanks for your kind note. Last Tuesday, 25 May, was a hectic day, during the course of which I felt rather like a squash ball. I fear I was not particularly coherent during our conversations, which were pleasant for me though I do not know how informative they were for you. I would like a chance to chat with you again; for upon reflection, I realized that I talked far too much about myself and far too little about Dick Helms. On Dick, I think I can be detached but am not entirely objective. He is a close personal friend for whom I have an enormous amount of professional admiration. He has served our country and all of its citizens extremely well throughout his entire lifetime and deserves far better treatment than he is now receiving from some quarters. This may be a somewhat controversial thesis, perhaps skeptically viewed by your editors, but it is one for which I think considerable evidence can be adduced and I would welcome a further chance to explain why I think it is a valid proposition. Please give Angus a call and see if we can set up another session.

Regards.

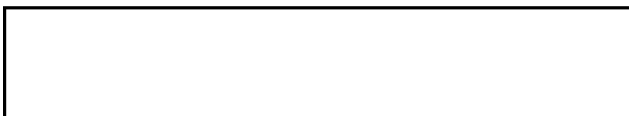
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Sincerely,



George K. Carver, Jr.

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2 June 1976

Vice Admiral Harry D. Train, II, USN
Director, Joint Staff
The Joint Chiefs of Staff
Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Harry:

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This is a somewhat belated circuit-closing written response to your 12 May letter to the DCI regarding [redacted] have been made available to participate, per your request, and all the requisite administrative arrangements have been taken care of with your associates.

The Director is a strong supporter of these politico-military simulations. Thanks in no small measure to the skill with which they are conducted by your colleagues, they are of great benefit not only to the actual participants but to all the institutions which take part in them. We appreciate being invited to participate in this one and are glad to help in any way we can.

With best regards.

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Sincerely,

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George A. Carver, Jr.
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